peculiar recommendation which has been made by the Committee. This was also adopted by the Committee headed by Shri Kapur, for the purpose of implementation. In that, They wanted Indian History to be included in the curriculum. they recommended the study of the pre-Independence period for Classes VI to VIII. They recommended the study of Ancient History for Classes X to XII. They recommended the study of these two periods, *i.e.* the ancient period and the pre-Independence period.

Sir, a very important period, namely, the Moghul period, was omitted. When the Committee made their recommendations, they totally ignored the Moghul period.

We cannot create history. History is a hard fact. Not only that. We cannot also change history. This sort of a thing creates a kind of feeling among the people as well as among the persons who are in the education line as to why the Moghul period has been totally ignored, why it has been left out.

This is a serious matter. I would request the hon. Minister of Human Resource Development to go into this. I say this because the Government has also accepted the recommendations of the Tripathi Committee which was constituted for the purpose of implementation of the recommendations made by the Yashpal Committee.

I urge upon the hon. Minister of Human Resource Development to include the Moghul period in the curriculum so that the children would be able to have a comprehensive understanding of our history and they would be able to know about the things that had happened in our country right from the ancient period up to the pre-Independence period. Thank you.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, I associate myself with this.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Thank you very much.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: It is a very good issue you have raised.

THE VICE CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Dr. Biplab Dasgupta. He is not here. Shri Pramod Mahajan.

Re: Charges Levelled Against Maharashtra Chief Minister by the D.I.G. of Police, Maharashtra

श्री प्रमोद महाजन (महाराष्ट्र): उपसभाध्यक्ष जी, महाराष्ट्र में कल एक अभूतपूर्व घटना हुई। एक पुलिस महा-निरीक्षक ने मुंबई उच्च न्यायालय में शपथ-पत्र दाखिल करके इसमें यह भी कहा गया है कि दाऊद का यह जो हस्तक है, भाई ठाकुर उनका एक कुप्रसिद्ध चांदी कांड हुआ था जिसमें चांदी की स्मगलिंग की गयी ईंटों को खाड़ी में भेजा गया था। इस विषय में भी भाई ठाकुर और हितेन्द्र ठाकुर को पकड़वाने में जानबूझकर लापरवाही बरती गयी और जब भी दूसरे आरोपी पप्पू कलानी, जो टाडा के अंदर बंद हैं, इनका सीमा रिसौल्ट, जिसमें पंजाब से उग्रवादी और आतंकवादी चंडीगढ़ से आये हैं, ऐसा संदेश आया चण्डीगढ़ में पुलिस अधिकारियों की बैठक हुई जिसमें सीमा रिसार्ट पर छापा मारने का तय हुआ। * * * इस प्रकार का भी आरोप इसमें आया है। * * * इस प्रकार का भी आरोप इसमें है चांदी कांड में...(**व्यवधान**)

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK (Maharashtra): Sir, I am on a point of order. The hon. Member is reproducing here whatever has been said in the affidavit which has been filed in the Bombay High Court against the Chief Minister of Maharashtra. Many unwanted, unwarranted, unfounded and baseless charges and allegations have been made in the said affidavit, which are *not* at all substantiated. ..(*Interruptions*)..

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Sir, You should not allow a speech under the pretext of a point of order.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Adik, come to your point, please.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Yes, Sir. Sir, the entire matter arises out of a petition which has been filed by one Ulhas Joshi who happens to be a police officer of the Maharashtra cadre in the rank of DIG. This DIG's case or petition arises...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): No. I am not permitting you to go into the details.

*Expunged as ordered by the Chair.

..*(interruptions)*.. I am sorry, please take your seat. I myself am trying to check him. Why are you interrupting? Mr. Adik, if you have a point of order, that something is going out of context on which you want my ruling, you can raise it. But you can't go into the details. The Deputy Chairman has already said that she was not going to permit anybody else to associate with any of the issues which are being raised here during Zero Hour. Please come to the point.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, my point is that this matter arises out of petition which has been filed by the said DIG, challenging the corruption proceedings initiated against him by the Government of Maharashtra. Now the matter is sub judice. The petition challenges the corruption charges made by the Government of Maharashtra against this corrupt police officer. In this connection he has filed the affidavit. The matter is already before the court. My point is...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I have got your point.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: My point is that the allegations made in the said affidavit cannot be reproduced here.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I have got your point. Mr. Mahajan, the point raised by the hon. Member is relevant, you can refer to the filing of the affidavit and all that, but if you go into the contents, then the question of jurisdiction of the court arises and the court's decision may be influenced by your speech. You know it because you are a very senior hon. Member. What the Hon. Chairman has permitted is about "Charge levelled against the Maharashtra Chief Minister by the DIG Police, Maharashtra", and so you please restrict yourself to this only. You cannot produce the contents of the affidavit. ..*(Interruptions)*.. I don't want your help, Mr. Agarwal. Let me deal with him myself.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): That is what he is doing.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I am not permitting you to reproduce it. You can refer to it and come to the point.

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): If there is anything reproduced, it can be expunged.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Yes, it will be expunged.

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः मैं शत-प्रतिशत आपकी आज्ञा का पालन करूंगा। मुझे जो अनुमति मिली है कि डी॰ आई॰ जी॰ ने मुख्य मंत्री के खिलाफ जो चार्जेज़ दिये हैं, उसके संबंध में बोलूं।

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): How does the Central Government come into the picture because this is Council of States? How is the Central Government directly concerned with that?

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Unless you allow me....

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): A point of order has been raised, and I have conceded that point of order. So, I request you to mention this. You have referred to the matter. Something has been done against the Chief Minister, and some affidavit has been filed. Now come to your point. What do you want to impress over here? That is all.

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः तो पहला आरोप है कि उन्होंने दाउद इब्राहीम के साथियों को टिकट दी। दूसरा आरोप यह है..*(व्यवधान)*

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA (KARNOTAKA): Sir, I am on a point of order.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): He is on a point of order.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: He has mentioned about the affidavit.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I am not referring to the affidavit.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: You yourself said it. I have borrowed the word from you.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: No. I am referring to the charges levelled by the DIG against Mr. Sharad Pawar, for which I have got permission from the Chair.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Mahajan, then, you have to substantiate it.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Sir, I am on a point of order.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Hanumanthappa, I

know that you are on a point of order..... *(interruptions)*

Without substantiating your charges, you cannot proceed. You may substantiate your charge depending upon the affidavit. So, I am giving my ruling that the contents of the affidavit could not be referred to over here. If you have already said something, now, in that context, what do you want? What is your point? You come to that. Yes, what is your point?

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Sir, actually, some of these allegations have been made by some officer before the court, and he has filed the affidavit. Bringing those charges, when the person cannot present himself to defend himself here, is not proper. Unless the person is present here to defend himself, those charges cannot form part of the proceedings of the House.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: That is for the Chairman to decide. ....*interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RIZI): Mr Mahajan, you proceed. ....*(interruptions)*

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: मेरा अगर कहीं "शपथ पत्र" शब्द आया है तो आप उसको निकाल दीजिए...**(व्यवधान)**

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): नहीं शब्द की कोई बात नहीं है....

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श्री प्रमोद महाजन: मुझे कोई उसकी चिंता नहीं है....

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): शब्द पर मत जाइए क्योंकि अपने हाउस में ऐसा सवाल उठाया और शुरु में ऐसी बात आपने कह दी। अब आप यह मत कीजिए कि तोड़-मरोड़कर उसी बात को लाने की कोशिश करें। मैंने आपसे यह अनुरोध किया है कि अब आप अपनी बात के ऊपर आ जाएं। आपको क्या कहना है...आप बोलिए...**(व्यवधान)**

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**Expunged as ordered by the Chair.
**†[ ]Transliteration in Arabic Script.

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श्री प्रमोद महाजन: मुम्बई बम विस्फोट कांड में जो महत्वपूर्ण सुराग मिल सकते थे और महत्वपूर्ण लोगों को पकड़ा जा सकता था, ऐसा जो पुलिस के अधिकारी कर सकते थे उनके तबादले किए गए।* **(व्यवधान)**

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, I am again on a point of order.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I am ready to substantiate it. ...*(Interruptions)*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Pondicherry): Sir, I am on a point of order.

श्री संघ प्रिय गौतम (उत्तर प्रदेश): अपराधीकरण की राजनीति है और करा रहे हो प्वांइट आफ आर्डर।

There is the point of disorder in the country. ... *(Interruptions)*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: He is reproducing whatever is in the affidavit.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I have asked him not to reproduce it.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Sir, he is reproducing it.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I am mentioning the charges. I am not referring to the affidavit.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: He cannot defend himself here. How can he make such allegations here? The Chief Minister cannot defend himself here. ...*(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZY): Mr. Adik, what new things do you want to add?

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: I respect the ruling given by the Chair. The hon. Member is again repeating the same charges contained in the affidavit.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: What can I do? ....*(Interruptions)*

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Just, please, bear with me.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: We are bearing with your Chief Minister.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Whatever he has said was not referred to. His name was not mentioned in the petition. That is why the court ordered that the vague charges ... *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Mahajan, I request you to conclude now, please.

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः उपसभाध्यक्ष जी, मैं कन्कलूड करूं... (**व्यवधान**) आप मुझ पर बंधन लगा रहा है कि आरोप पत्र के बारे में ऐसा बोला और वे यह आरोप पत्र के बारे में बोल रहे हैं...(**व्यवधान**)

He is referring to the affidavit. मैं तो एफीडेविट को रेफर ही नहीं कर रहा हूं।

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): कोई नहीं रेफर कर रहा है। अब आप बात खत्म करिए।

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آپ سمجھا دھیکش: کوئی نہیں ریفر کر رہا ہے۔ اب آپ بات ختم کر دیجئے۔

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, this is a part of the affidavit.

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः एक एक वाक्य की भी अनुमति लें क्या?

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, this is a part of the affidavit. In the petition, the names were not given.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I am not aware whether it is a part of the affidavit. If he is aware of it, he has to deal with the subject.

मुझे मालूम नहीं है।.... (**व्यवधान**)

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL (Rajasthan): Mr. Adik has brought on record so many things with regard to the petition, which we do not know. Thank you very much.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: He is making a case on the basis of what appeared in a newspaper report today. *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, please take your seat.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: The Affidavit which was allowed to be filed at the High Court....*(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I will listen only to your point of order. *(Interruptions)*

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्रीः सर, मेरा भी एक प्वाइंट आफ् आर्डर है। ....(**व्यवधान**)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I am not denying the right of the hon. Member.

अग्रवाल साहब, कृपया आप बैठिए। शास्त्री जी, आप भी बैठिए। ...(**व्यवधान**) आप बैठिए।

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्रीः मेरा एक प्वाइंट आफ् आर्डर है।

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रज़ी): मैं आपका प्वाइंट आफ् भी सुनूंगा, लेकिन आप चीखे नहीं। ...(**व्यवधान**)

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्री (उत्तर प्रदेश): नहीं, यह कोई बात है। ....(**व्यवधान**)

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): यस, आपका प्वायंट आफ् आर्डर क्या है, शास्त्री जी।...(**व्यवधान**) ... आप बैठिए, आप बैठ जाइये। ...(**व्यवधान**)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, please conclude. Please take your seat.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: I am concluding.

श्री विष्णु कान्त शास्त्रीः ये कितनी देर तक बोलेंगे? ....(**व्यवधान**)

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): यह कोई प्वायंट आफ् आर्डर नहीं हुआ। यस, महाजन जी, आप कहिए।

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः मैं यह कह रहा था कि दाउद इब्राहिम के एक साथी जो कांग्रेस के विधायक हितेन्द्र ठाकुर, टाडा में बंद थे, संसद ने कानून करके 180 दिन के अंदर आरोप-पत्र दाखिल करने का नियम किया, लेकिन महाराष्ट्र सरकार ने जान-बूझ कर यह आरोप-पत्र सुप्रीम कोर्ट में दाखिल नहीं किया और उस के कारण हितेन्द्र ठाकुर की रिहाई हुई और उस के कारण मुझे पता नहीं क्या होगा। अनगिनत लोग जो बम्बई बम विस्फोट में पकड़े गए हैं उन की रिहाई का रास्ता खुल गया है। इस के लिए महाराष्ट्र के मुख्य मंत्री शासन के मुखिया के रूप में पूर्ण रूप से जिम्मेदार है। ...(**व्यवधान**)

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: It is very unfair, Sir. How can he make such allegations without any proof?

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः इसलिए मेरा यह स्पष्ट मत है कि जब इतना वरिष्ठ पुलिस अधिकारी अपने मुख्य मंत्री पर इतने संगीन आरोप करता है तो इसका अर्थ है महाराष्ट्र में...(**व्यवधान**)

श्री गोविन्दराव आदिकः मुख्य मंत्री पर यह आरोप नहीं दें...(**व्यवधान**) यह बार-बार एफीडेविट.... (**व्यवधान**)

उपसभाध्यक्ष (सैयद सिब्ते रजी): आप समाप्त करिए।...(**व्यवधान**)

श्री प्रमोद महाजनः अगर इतने संगीन आरोप करता है तो महाराष्ट्र में संवैधानिक मशीनरी चरमरा गई है,

उसकी असफलता हुई और धारा 356 के अन्दर महाराष्ट्र में तुरंत राष्ट्रपति शासन लागू करने की आज आवश्यकता बनी है। अगर केन्द्र सरकार यह लागू नहीं करेगी तो शायद यह लगता है कि दाउद की बेनामी संपत्ति और कहां है इसका कुछ पता नहीं चल रहा है, लेकिन महाराष्ट्र में...(व्यवधान) एक सैकंड, आप मत रोकिए, फुलों में न रोकिए, महाराष्ट्र सरकार यह लगता है कि और इसलिए 356 के अंतर्गत इसको राष्ट्रपति शासन लाना चाहिए।...(व्यवधान)

कमीशन आफ् इन्क्वायरी एक्ट में शरद पवार पर जितने गंभीर आरोप लगे हैं उसकी इन्क्वायरी केन्द्र सरकार की ओर से होनी चाहिए। यह मेरी मांग है।

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA (West Bengal): Sir, I am not going into the merit of the allegatioin. I concede for the time being that there may be an element of wildness in the allegation, but can it be denied that a high-ranking Police official has submitted an affidavit in a court and he has levelled unprecedented charges against the No. 1 Minister of the State? This situation is without any parallel, Sir. If you look into the Indian history, we had seen many corrupt political people ruling the country, but never before a Police Officer could be that strong enough as to file an affidavit. *(Interruptions)* Sir, I should be allowed. I am not referring to any name. You must prevent him from interrupting me.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, he is making allegations against the Chief Minister.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Sir, he is taking my time. I submit most respectfully that this is the Council of States. We have to take cognisance of an emerging situation of serious remifications, whether it is because of Mr. Pawar or somebody else. The point is ...*(Interruptions)* Sir, what is this? The point is that a Police Officer has filed an unprecedented charge against a Chief Minister. Never before in India this thing happened. *(Interruptions)* What is this, Sir? I seek you protection. *(Interruptions)* I seek your protection, Sir. *(Interruptions)*

5.00 P.M.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Adik, since it is a very controversial issue, I assure you.. *(Interruptions)*.. Please take your seat, please take your seat, please take your seat. Since the Member was very agitated and was trying to interrupt other Members, I thought that in the fitness of things, he should be given an opportunity to express his point of view after the three speakers have spoken.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: What I was saying was here is an unprecedented situation. It has no parallel. It has wider ramifications on the political life of the country. I do not know whether a person like Mr. Sharad Pawar is guilty or not. But the point is that a police officer who has filed such an affidavit is bound to create serious confusion, suspicion in the mind of the common people. If such a cloud of suspicion hangs over the head of the principal administrator of a State like Maharashtra, no Government can function. Under the cloud of suspicion, no Government can function. What are the charges? I do not want to go into the details. The charges were.*

Therefore, the charge involves national security. More so, it involves a person who was for some time the Defence Minister of the country.*

My conclusion is that under a cloud of suspicion, the Government cannot function in Maharashtra. This is a serious, if not Constitutional, political crises. I call upon the Government, I call upon the Congress President—I am not for President's rule—I call upon the Congress party to elect a new leader. For the time being, allow Mr. Sharad Pawar to go out of office and face a judicial inquiry to clear himself of the serious charges. With such charges hanging over his head, no Constitution can function.

मौलाना ओबैदुल्ला खान आजमी:*

SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL:*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Nothing is going on record ...*(Interruptions)*.. Please take your seats. ..*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL (Bihar): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I rise with a considerable feeling of pain and anxiety. My serious anxiety emanates from the fact that I hold Mr. Sharad Pawar as an honourable man. I also submit that he is a very kind friend of mine. We have been sharing the same Bench. I feel that he is

*Expunged, as ordered by the Chair.

a person who generally believes in upholding candour in public life.

But strange things are happening in Maharashtra. Already my hon. friend has said about some things and I do not want to repeat them. I think it was important for Mr. Sharad Pawar to come out yesterday itself and clarify the position. Unfortunately, as "The Times of India" says, he has chosen to say that he would clear himself only in the court and not in public life. I think that this is not in his own interest. It is not in the interest of the Congress party. It is not in the interest of the Government of Maharashtra. Transparency is an important factor in public life. Some allegations were made against him. I am not saying that they are good or bad or wrong. I am not passing any judgment on that. I can only say that it is important for him, still important for him that before the sun sets today, he comes before the public and states what the facts are. And, therefore, that will help us in delivering the merits of whatever we are demanding or not demanding. Of course, it is a strange thing. It bewilders all for us that a person of rank of the DIG of Police, who has not been dismissed, who has not been suspended, who is in service, who is holding a charge, has levelled these allegations. I have been in public life, perhaps, longer than many hon. Members here, I am hearing it for the first time. ..(*Interruptions*)... What are you objecting to? I am defending you. I am not against him. You are against him.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Gujral, I would request you to be a little brief. Nobody should interrupt him.

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: What I am trying to say is that in the interest of a transparent public life, in the interest of upholding the virtues the Congress party it stands for, in the interest of good Government, he should have come out, as early as possible, to clarify his possition and should not wait until he is summoned by the court and then make a statement.

In that State, several strange things are happening. Only yesterday I saw in the Press that Mr. Sharad Pawar has signed an agreement with Mr. Milley Lords, Executive President of Warren Brothers to permit the building of 14 theatres by foreigners in Maharashtra for which land will be given free and they will be exempt from all entertainment tax. These are strange things which are happening there. Therefore, as a friend of Mr. Sharad pawar I feel bewildered, I feel confused, I feel upset and I feel concerned. I am sorry to say that the Home Minister had left when this issue came up. I feel he should have clarified the position. I think that some senior Minister will clarify that and advice to him would go from here because the prime Minister happens to be the party President also. An advice to him should go in public interest. He must clarify his position and come out clear and transparent immediately and urgently.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK (Maharashtra): Thank you, Sir. While raising a point of order a little while ago, I said that the matter arises out of a writ petition filed by the DIG of Police, Mr. Ulhas Joshi.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: The matter is *sub judice*.

...(*interruptions*)...

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): This matter is in court. It is *sub judice*. Affidavits have been filed.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I have already given my ruling. I asked the Member who spoke to restrain himself. Mrs. Alva, when I gave my ruling, I think, at that time, you were not here. I had the names of three Members who were listed here. Since Mr. Adik was very much agitated and he was interrupting the Members who spoke, I felt he was having some point of view to express on this issue. So, I took the sense of the House. Till now, the Deputy Chairman has not permitted anyone to associate or disassociate or express his point of view. I had taken the sense of the House. Since the House agreed that in the last Mr. Adik may place his point of view, I am calling him. Please be brief.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Thank you, Sir. Sir, as I said earlier, this matter arises out of a case which I would not go into. But, the person who has filed his affidavit and a writ petition against the proceedings which have been started by the Government of Maharashtra against

him in a corruption case, have got to be taken into account.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: That is what has been stayed by the court. (*Interruptions*) The High Court has stayed that. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JAGESH DESAI (Maharashtra): For what purpose has he filed an affidavit? (*Interruptions*)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Adik, try to be brief. (*Interruptions*)

श्री गोविन्दराव आदिक: सर, आपका निर्णय होने के बाद हमने एक शब्द का भी उच्चारण नहीं किया था। ...(**व्यवधान**)...

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: पर जो आदमी यहां आकर अपनी रक्षा नहीं कर सकता, उसके बारे में कुछ नहीं कहना चाहिए। मैं तो उसके बारे में कह रहा हूं। ...(**व्यवधान**)

Somebody has to support him.

श्री गोविन्दराव आदिक: आप वकालत किसकी कर रहे हैं, एक बार इसको जरा देख तो लीजिए?

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: आप जिसकी कर रहे हैं, मुझे मालूम है, इसको देखने की भी जरूरत नहीं है। ...(**व्यवधान**)...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Please don't disturb. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Sir, I am paying him back in the same coin. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: This matter arises out of the proceedings which were started against him by the Government of Maharashtra in a corruption case. That means, the officer is found guilty of corruption. That is number one. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: How can you say that he is guilty of corruption? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRI: How can he say like that? He has to substantiate it. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: If he is guilty of corruption, then why is he in the service? Why has he not been dismissed? (*Interruptions*)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Let him speak. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Hon. Mahajanji happens to be our very good friend. He is a well experienced politician and is known to all of us. He should know that under the Prevention of Corruption Act, if any proceedings are to be started, then it is not necessary that the person concerned should be removed from service. He can remain in service even while he is under suspension.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: He has not been suspended also. You cannot suspend him. (*Interruptions*)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Mahajan, he heard you patiently.

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: किसने? सर, यह तो प्रोसीडिंग गलत हो जाएगी। ...(**व्यवधान**)...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Ultimately, he cooperated with you and sat down.

SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRY: Let him see how others speak. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: I am making a point that the allegations levelled by a person have got to be taken congnisance of in a democratic system like ours. There is no doubt about that. But, at the same time, it is our duty to see the character and credentials of the persons making such allegations against a person holding the highest political office in the State of Maharashtra. Sir, here is a man who is charged with corruption; who was found guilty of corruption.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: He was not found gulty. (*Interruptions*)

AN HON. MEMBER: How are you concerned with him? How are you concerned about his corruption? (*Interruptions*)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Mahajan, I listened to you and now, I am listening to him. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: He cannot make allegations like this.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): You have alleged many things against the Chief Minister. He has also a right to allege things against the official. You have yourself broken the convention of the House.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, I was making a point that the character of the person making the allegations must be taken into account while considering the allegations which he has made against a person holding the highest

political office in the State. That is number one.

When the corruption proceedings started against this gentleman, he got hurt or annoyed and he had a grievance against the Chief Minister and the Government of Maharashtra. That is why he wanted to settle score some way or the other and he got an opportunity like this.

Secondly, the DIG, before he was charge-sheeted for corruption, was in charge of the Konkan region of Maharashtra. He was the DIG of Konkan area. As you know, it is a well-known fact that the RDX which had been used in the Bombay blasts and elsewhere or which had been used for some terrorist activities, was landed in the Raigarh district, which is a part of the Konkan area. This gentleman was in charge of security of that area. The hon. Members don't know the character of that person, that officer. I don't want to cast any aspersions on his character. This has appeared in the Press.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, you please conclude.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, the area in which the RDX was landed was in the Konkan area, which was under the same DIG. When it was found that he was inefficient and when it was found that he had not taken precaution to prevent this RDX from coming into India, he was transferred from Konkan area to Nagpur by the same Chief Minister. That is why he again got aggrieved, annoyed and hurt, whatever it is, and he wanted to settle scores with Sharad Pawar some way or the other.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, please conclude.

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Now I come to a very vital point. I request the hon. Members of this House, who are very senior to me—I have a lot of regard and respect for them—that it is basically a question of the democratic system which we are adopting in this country. Today, it is all right because these allegations are made by an officer against the Chief Minister of a State by filing an affidavit in a writ petition. *(Interruptions)*... It doesn't matter. What happens to Sharad Pawar is not your concern. I understand that. But, at the same time, I call upon you and request you to just consider this. If the same allegations are made against the Chief Minister of West Bengal, if the same allegations are made against...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: What is this? *(Interruptions)*... Sir, what is this? *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI MD. SALIM: What are you talking? *(Interruptions)*... What is this? *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: If the same allegations are made against the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu... *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: What is this? *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): You please conclude. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will you please allow me? *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I think you have made your point. *(Interruptions)*... Mr. Adik, you have made your point. Please conclude. *(Interruptions)*... Please take your seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI MD. SALIM: What is the relationship? *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will you allow me to speak? *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Please take your seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: I want to point out one more thing, Sir. *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Take you seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Sir, one more point. *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Jaipal Reddy. *(Interruptions)*... Mr. Jaipal Reddy. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: I have not concluded. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Let Mr. Adik try his luck in West Bengal. He wants to try his luck. *(Interruptions)*... Let him come to West Bengal and try his luck. *(Interruptions)*... We challenge him. *(Interruptions)*... Let him come and try his luck... *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Gurudas Das

Gupta, please take your seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: I challenge him. *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Please take your seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: It is totally incorrect. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Sir,...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Jagesh Desaiji, you please take your seat. *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Sir, I should be allowed to associate myself. *(Interruptions)*.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I will look into your request. *(Interruptions)*.

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir,... *(Interruptions)*.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I am not permitting you. *(Interruptions)*. Mr. Biplab Dasgupta, this is not fair.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (Andhra Pradesh): Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, the moral authority of a good friend of mine like Mr. Sharad Pawar was never very high. *(Interruptions)*.

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: आपके दोस्तों का यह हाल है तो दुश्मनों का क्या होगा?

मौलाना ओबैदुल्ला खान आज़मी: ऐसे दोस्त मत बनाइए।

مولانا عبیداللہ خان اعظمی: ایسے دوست مت بنائیے۔

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: But his credibility now has plummeted to unfathomable depths at the moment. It has reached its nadir. Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, Mr. Adik is right when he says look at the man who levelled allegations. I don't know Mr. Joshi. He is a bureaucratic minion in that he is only the DIG of the Police. But, how is it that allegations levelled by the Deputy Municipal Counsellor and the DIG stick to Mr. Sharad Pawar? Why does he attract allegations like a magnet? What is this great pulling power of Pawar?

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Reddy, come to the point.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: I am coming, Sir. Sir, the allegations** have been levelled for more than two years by various persons. Today, he is under a thick hovering cloud. There is a need for him to come clean. If allegations of this kind were to be levelled against any other person with a sense of honour, he would welcome an opportunity to come clean. The question is whether Mr. Sharad Pawar is ready to face an inquiry. Will he face an inquiry by a sitting Supreme Court Judge? Any hon. politician in his place would welcome an opportunity of an inquiry. Why does he not welcome an inquiry? If he does not welcome an inquiry, why does not the Central Government impose an inquiry on Mr. Sharad Pawar because Mr. Sharad Pawar is now heading a very sensitive State? And a Chief Minister under a cloud will be a disaster not only for Maharashtra but for the whole nation. Thank you.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, we will take up the Appropriation (Railways) No. 5 Bill, 1994 and. . . . *(Interruptions)*

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR (Nominated): Sir, I may be allowed to speak *(Interruptions)*

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA (West Bengal): Sir, please allow me to raise an important issue . . . . . *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Dasgupta, I am sorry. I called your name but you were not present. I am sorry, the time is very short. *(Interruptions)*.

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir, you promised me that I would be allowed.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I called your name but you were not present. *(Interruptions)*. Mr. Dasgupta, try to understand the position. *(Interruptions)*

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir, the Chairman gave me the permission. *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Dasgupta, listen to the Chair. There is a constraint of time.

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* Expunged, as ordered by the Chair.

†[ ] Transliteration in Arabic script.

The Appropriation Bills have to be passed in any case.

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir, this is a very important issue.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Now, it is 5.20 p.m. *(Interruptions)*. I called your name but you were not present. *(Interruptions)* Mr. Dasgupta, I assure you that tomorrow you will be allowed to raise this issue. I assure you.*(Interruptions)*

DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Sir, then will it be the first one?

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I assure you that the secretariat will put your name first tomorrow.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, I would like to register my protest.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): What is your protest?

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Sir, I asked for your permission to associate myself with what was said about the DIG's statement made in the High Court *(Interruptions)*

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): You please speak tomorrow.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Mr. Vice-Chairman, you said that you would confine yourself to the list of speakers.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Yes.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: But I find that you gave permission to two more persons to speak. What I find is that those persons who are individuals in this House, have been discriminated against always. This has been the case always. We are the people who live in Bombay. Today we are living in Bombay under a threat. The threat is that we don't have any security. What I am saying is that it was a former Chief Minister who levelled charges against Mr. Sharad Pawar...*(Interruptions)*... There is also recorded...*(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Hon. Member, first I have to dispose of your point of order.

Had I permitted you to take the floor of the House, you could have spoken. But when I did not permit you, you could not speak. You said that you had not been given an opportunity to associate yourself. I will explain the reason to you. In the very beginning, the Deputy Chairman said that she was not going to allow any person to associate or disassociate with anybody. Even I was not allowed to say something against some allegation made by some hon. Member. I have to abide by the ruling of the Chair. I tell you that I permitted only Shri Adik. To permit him, I took the sense of the House because he was so much agitated that he was interrupting the speaker. . . . *(Interruptions)*. . . . .

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: I could have done the same thing. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Let me explain. I am explaining the position.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: If this is the position, there is no meaning. ....*(Interruptions)*.... I asked for your permission. When Mr. Adik was allowed, I should also have been allowed. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I took the sense...*(Interruptions)*... Mr. Ambedkar, either you speak or let the Chair speak. Decide it first. Let me complete what I want to say. You raised a point and I am replying. I took the sense of the house and the House agreed, 'Yes, deviate from the decision of the Deputy chairman and permit Mr. Adik'. It was felt by the House itself that a one-side story was going on and the other Member should also be given a chance. So, I permitted

him I am not going to permit you. I have no prejudice against you.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: It is not a question of prejudice. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I don't have any prejudice against you. I am sorry I am under a great strain of time. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

श्री प्रमोद महाजन: सदन ने ऐसा कभी नहीं सोचा। आपने ही सोचा।

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): All right. I thought.

SHRI PROMAD MAHAJAN: The House had never thought. The House had never thought that a one-side story was going on. . . . *(Interruptions)*. . . . .

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Mahajan, the House might not have thought so. I am not saying that. It was my feeling. . . . *(Interruptions)*. . . . . I myself felt that a one-side story was going on and the other Member should also be given a chance.

अरे सुनिए। प्लीज़ आप बात तो सुनना चाह नहीं रहे है। आप भी बहुत ऐजिटेड हैं। ...**(व्यवधान)**...

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Then, when I wanted to associate, you could have allowed me also. . . . *(Interruptions)*. . . . .This is not for the first time that we are denied an opportunity. . . . *(Interruptions)* We wanted to associate many times earlier also. . . *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): I have stated. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: This is not fair. I asked your permission earlier also.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): If you want to speak. . . . *(Interruptions)*... If you want to speak, you first go to your seat. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: It is all right. I will go.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Ambedkar, I have your name. You are also very agitated. I am going to adopt the same procedure again. I seek the idulgence of the House and the sense of the house. If the House agrees, I will permit one more speaker. I am not going to permit any more speakers. Mr. Ambedkar will be allowed to speak only for two minutes ...*(Interruptions)*...Please take your seats.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: We also want to speak. . . . *(Interruptions)*...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Mr. Ambedkar, please sit down. I have taken the sense of the House. There is no consensus on the question of allowing you to speak. So, I request you to respect the sense of the House. Please take up this issue tomorrow. You can express your views some other time. Please take your seat. Now, Mr. Ledger.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Sir, this is a very serious issue.

(Interruptions)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): Nothing will go on record. . . . *(Interruptions)*... We have to run this House according to a certain procedure. Now Mr. Ledger.

THE APPROPRIATION (RAILWAYS) NO. 5 BILL, 1994

THE APPROPRIATION (RAILWAYS) NO. 4 BILL, 1994 (CONTD.)

SHRI DAVID LEDGER (Assam): Mr. Vice-Chairman, Sir, I rise to support both the Appropriation Bills. Sir, it is needless for me to repeat that so far as development is concerned, the North Eastern states are the most undeveloped. Sir, the pace of industrialisation in the